

service to his congregation and the Melville community. We hereby recognize and acknowledge his tenure as Rabbi by sharing some of his biography and contributions.

Rabbi Jacknis brought his love of Judaism and unique blend of warmth and spirituality to the South Huntington Jewish Center in the summer of 1993, and quickly became known, both inside the synagogue and throughout the surrounding communities, as being welcoming, responsive, insightful and compassionate. During his tenure he has fostered a renewed feeling of unity and enthusiasm in the congregation, as well as a marked increase in membership. Shabbat services, especially, are infused with his special spirit, and he has brought a variety of new initiatives to SHJC.

Rabbi Jacknis is highly respected by his congregants and his peers. He is a Past President of the Rabbinical Assembly of Nassau-Suffolk as well as the Suffolk Council of Jewish Organizations. The Rabbi also serves as the Jewish Chaplain to the Melville Fire Department.

Rabbi Jacknis attended the undergraduate Joint Program of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and Columbia University, receiving two bachelor's degrees in 1977. He later attended the Seminary's Rabbinical School, taking classes at the University of Judaism (now the American Jewish University) in Los Angeles, at Neve Schechter in

Jerusalem and at the Seminary's main campus in Manhattan. In May of 1983 he received both his Master's Degree and Rabbinic Ordination. Recently, he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Rabbi Jacknis is married to his wonderful wife, Suri Jacknis, who serves as Director of Educator Networks at The Jewish Education Project. She is a progressive leader in the Jewish world, and SHJC is fortunate to have had the two of them as leaders of their community.

Together, Suri and Rabbi have three children, a son Noam (married to Candace), a daughter Yael, (married to Jacob Davidson) and another daughter Nava (married to Natanel Fuchs). Rabbi and Suri are the proud grandparents of Ethan, Braydon and Liat.

HONORING LISA STARR
ROSENSTEIN

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 21, 2021

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Lisa Starr

Rosenstein, 53, who was tragically killed in a hit-and-run accident while jogging. I want to express my condolences on behalf of the people of San Antonio to the Starr family. Mrs. Rosenstein was an extraordinary individual, generous and genuine, and someone who cared deeply about her fellow neighbors. She was also an avid long-distance runner who competed in 27 marathons, including the New York Marathon, and she was a member of the Jewish community at the Rodfei Sholom and Temple Beth El congregations.

Lisa Starr Rosenstein is survived by her friends and family, including her children, Emma and Nathan, her husband of nearly 28 years, Alan Rosenstein, her parents, Arlene and David Starr, the president of the American Agape Foundation. She was profoundly loved and will be greatly missed by all.

Madam Speaker, I am thankful to know this remarkable San Antonio family who is dedicated to service and community. I am deeply saddened by this horrible tragedy, and I hope this honor will bring a small amount of comfort to her family. May her memory be a blessing.